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In re Patent Application of: Wieslaw J. SZAJNOWSKI

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For: SIGNAL STATISTICS DETERMINATION

Examiner: C. S. W. Tsai

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, the reasons for allowance have been noted and the following comments are respectfully submitted in the above-identified application.

Remarks

In the Notice of Allowability, the Examiner offers a statement of reasons for allowance. More precisely, the Examiner offers two separate statements presumably related to two different independent claims, although the Examiner fails to identify which claims correspond to which statements. However, Applicants presume the Examiner's two statements refer to independent claims 1 and 20.

In view of this ambiguity, Applicants feel that a comment on the Examiner's statements of reasons for allowance is necessary. Although Applicants agree that the allowed claims define over the prior art of record, Applicants do not concede that Kareem and Robinson patents teach all the elements asserted by the Examiner. Further, Applicants point out that it is the claims as a whole, including the

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various interrelationships and interconnections between the claimed elements, which are not taught nor

suggested by the cited references.

Moreover, Applicants emphasize that each claim should be separately considered as a whole, as

being allowable over the prior art of record. In view of the above-mentioned ambiguity as to which claims

the Examiner's statements refer, Applicants submit that each claim should be interpreted in light of the

actual language used therein. Thus, the scope of the claims should not be limited by the elements cited in

the Examiner's statements unless the actual claim language supports such limitation.

Thus, Applicants respectfully emphasize that each claim should be considered separately as a

whole, taking into consideration the various interrelationships and interconnections between the claimed

elements, as being allowable over the cited references.

Should the Examiner believe that any outstanding matters remain in the present application, the

Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Jason W. Rhodes (Reg. No. 47,305) at the telephone

number of the undersigned to discuss the present application in an effort to expedite prosecution.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to

charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees

required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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